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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST AID TO LAOS: US FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE

REF: A. STATE 230114

B. RAMSEY MEMCON. 7 OCT RE LOGISTICS HANDLING FOR COMMUNIST
AID TO LAOS

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A. APPRECIATE EARLY ACTION BEING TAKEN BY WASHINGTON CON-
CERNED AGENCIES.

B. RE PARA 2, REF A, FOLLOWING ARE ANSWERS TO SPECIFIC
QUESTIONS (NUMBERS CORRESPOND TO REF A QUESTIONS):

(1) PGNU HAS NOT MADE A REQUEST FOR ANY SPEIFIC ITEMS.
REQUEST REPORTED IN REF B WAS A GENERALIZED, IN PRINCIPLE,
REQUEST WHICH COULD BE PARAPHRASED: "IF THE PGNU WERE TO
REQUEST U.S. ASSISTANCE IN PROVIDING AND DEVELOPING LO-
GISTICS FACILITIES AT WHICH COMMUNIST AID WOULD BE HANDLED,
WOULD THE U.S. RESPOND AFFIRMATIVELY?" THE MAXIMUM
REQUIREMENTS WOULD BE WAREHOUSING; MATERIALS HANDLING
EQUIPMENT (SHELVING, PALLETS, FORK-LIFTS, ETC.); POSSIBLY
TRUCK MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR EQUIPMENT.

(2) (3) THE PGNU HAS NOT MADE A DETAILED REQUEST.

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REF C MENTIONED THE AVAILABILITY IN COUNTRY OF RIVER

CRAFT AND PRE-FABRICATED WAREHOUSING PROVIDED TO THE FAR THROUGH THE MAP. FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF THOSE IN THE PGNU CHARGED WITH PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECEIPT AND HANDLING OF COMMUNIST AID, THEY OBVIOUSLY HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE NOR PREFERENCE AS TO THE SOURCE OF MATERIAL ASSISTANCE, BE IT DOD, AID OR USG EXCESS PROPERTY.

(4) REQUIRED FACILITIES WOULD BE USED ONLY FOR RECEIPT AND HANDLING OF HUMANITARIAN AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE, NOT REPEAT NOT, FOR ANY MILITARY PURPOSE, INCLUDING CIVIL ACTION.

(5) WHICH MINISTRY WILL BE THE WHAT ASPECT OF COMMUNIST COMMODITY AID HAS NOT, TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, BEEN DECIDED WITHIN THE PGNU. THE MOST LOGICAL MINISTRY TO PROVIDE OVERALL PLANNING AND COORDINATE IMPLEMENTATION WOULD BE THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMY AND PLAN WITH THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PHYSICAL ASPECTS OF COMMODITY MOVEMENTS. WE CANNOT GUARANTEE THAT LOGIC WILL PREVAIL, HOWEVER.
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